Telephone connection at Vaikom.

76. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the difficulties experienced by the people of Vaikom due to the want of telephone connections there and to state the action taken thereon?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: Yes. The work of extension of telephone service to Vaikom has been arranged for execution and early completion.

Hydro-Electric Scheme.

77. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have decided to start a hydro-electric scheme in South Travancore?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: No.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: May I know from the honourable member whether the Kallar Electric Scheme was entered into in the regime of Dewan Bahadur Raghaviah?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: That does not arise out of this question.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member whether any investigation has been made on this subject?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: Yes.

Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Scheme.

78. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to give the following information *re* Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Scheme:—

(*a*) P. H. E. Scheme (Electrical)—
(i) total capital investment to the end of the year 1119;
(ii) expenses and maintenance charges for the year 1119;
(iii) gross receipts during the year 1119;
(iv) simple interest for the capital outlay for the year 1119;
(v) net gain or loss for the year 1119;

(*b*) P. H. E. Scheme (Civil)—
(i) total capital investment to the end of the year 1119;
(ii) expenses and maintenance charges for the year 1119;
(iii) gross receipts for the year 1119;
(iv) simple interest for the capital outlay for the year 1119;
(v) net gain or loss for the year 1119;
(vi) the budget heads of expenditure with the respective amounts under each head;

(*c*) the gross receipts of the P. H. E. Project under the following heads:—
(i) Sale of energy for lights and fans;
(ii) Do. for domestic purposes;
(iii) Do. for cinemas;
(iv) Do. for street lighting;
(v) Do. for agricultural purposes;
(vi) Do. for industrial purposes;
(vii) Do. in bulk under special contracts

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(*d*) the rate per unit charges for

(i) agricultural purposes;
(ii) industrial purposes;
(iii) supply in bulk under special contract; and

(*e*) the names of those persons with whom special contracts have been entered, the date and terms of contract and the quantity of energy supplied and the amount received from each of those persons in 1119?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: (*a*), (*b* 1 to 5) and (*c*). The information can be made available only after the final accounts of the Department are closed and verified.

(*b* 6) The expenditure is brought under 50 Capital Outlay on Electrical Schemes *vide* page 9 of the Preliminary edition of the budget.

(*d*) 1 & 2. The tariff rates have been published in the issues of the Gazette dated 29-10-1940, 1-7-1941, 16-9-1941, 10-11-1942, 20-4-1943, 11-5-1943 and 13-7-1943.

(*d* 3) and (*e*) Information has to be treated as confidential.

MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Is the information asked for in this question against public interest?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: The reasons were explained by you, Sir, the day before yesterday.

MR. K. A. MAHOMED: May I know from the honourable member whether the rates have been increased?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: No, Sir.

Amounts allotted for new and maintenance works in the P. W. D.

79. * **MR. K. R. NARAYANAN:** Will the Government be pleased to state separately the amounts allotted for new works and maintenance works in the P. W. D. for the year 1119 and the expenditure incurred under each item till the 30th Edavam 1119?

MR. I. C. CHACKO (*Chief Engineer P. W. D.*):

		Rs.
Amount allotted for works for 1119	...	29,93,991
Do. maintenance works do.	...	23,50,553

Information *re* expenditure incurred under each item is being collected.

MR. CHAZHIKATTU JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Thodupuzha*): ഏക ദേശം ഒ ര ലക്ഷത്തോളം വരുന്ന തുകയിൽ എന്തുമാത്രം ചെലവാക്കി യിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയുവാൻ മയവുണ്ടാകുമോ? ഫ ഫ ഒ ചിങ്ങം തീയതി മ ന്നായല്ലോ ഫ ഫ ഫൻ-ൽ ചെലവായതുപോയിട്ട് മിച്ചം എന്തു ണ്ടാകുമെന്നു ഏകദേശമായിട്ടെങ്കിലും പറയാമോ?

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